

Cathedral of St Mary
Parish Council Minutes
July 13, 2021

ATTENDANCE: (Those Present in BOLD) **Father August Koeune, Carey Hartmann, Kelsey Kean, Diane Prunty, Father Clark Lenz**, Father Jaimon Dominic, Rosemary Barrett, **Jim Casey, Diane Gonnely, Brian Greene**, John Kaiser, **John Lynch, Neill O'Donnell, Jeff Shafer, Jenny Bridges**, Flossie Vance, **Karen Stolz**

Meeting was called to order at 7:39am

Opening prayer was given by Father August.

Brian made a motion to approve the minutes. John Lynch seconded. Motion was carried.

Father August gave a financial update. The Church made approx. \$50,000. in the stock market last month. The Financial Council made a motion to payoff the debt of the school. The next Pastor along with the Diocese Board of Directors will make the final decision. The Foundation is paying for a firm to help raise money for the school. Jim Casey made a motion to support the Finance Council decision to pay off the school debt. John Lynch seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Carey will send a letter to the Finance Council showing the Parish Council's support.

Father August also spoke about the Angel program, to help bridge the financial gap on tuition and salaries. There is a need to tap into the Cheyenne community not just the Catholic community, Cheyenne can be a very supportive community.

Facilities- New doors have been ordered for Hartmann Hall and the Office to match the Church. Construction has started on the remodel of the Pastor's suite. Neill also mentioned that Fellowship hosting would be resuming in August.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of the Mission Statement- Diane Prunty made a motion to approve the statement. Brian seconded. Motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Parish Picnic- Tables will be available for various ministries. Carey will follow up

Election of Officers- will take place at the September meeting

Parish Council-There will be three vacancies as of Sept. 1. This will be advertised in the bulletin July24/25 & July30/Aug1 & Aug7/8, Father Tom will vet the applicants. Voting will occur in late August or early Sept.

REPORTS

Cathedral Guild- Father August stated regular meetings and funeral ministry will begin in September.

Knights of Columbus- Jeff stated the Into the Breach program has been well received and will probably continue. Bingo has been doing well. They are getting ready for the parish picnic.

Mall of St Vincent de Paul- Diane stated last month was approx. \$17,000. They need to hire staff. They are in desperate need of donations.

Social Concerns- Meeting next week to determine donations.

St. Mary's School- All teachers hired except one. Registrations are going well.

Volunteer Recognition- Next recognition will be given to the Safety Team. Date to be determined.

Youth Ministry- Karen Stolz was introduced as the new administrator of the program. She is working on setting up the program and getting registration underway.

Parish events to note-

Father August's Retirement Celebration- July24/25 after all the masses.

Parish Picnic August 15th

Next Meeting August 10th

Father Clark gave the closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10am